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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of: Thomas Scott Gee

Serial No.: 09/848,032 Group Art Unit: 2834
 Filed: May 3, 2001 EXAMINER: Waks, Joseph
 For: FAIL SAFE ENGINE COOLING CONTROL ALGORITHM FOR
 HYBRID ELECTRIC VEHICLES

Attorney Docket No.: 200-0325

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 Commissioner for Patents & Trademarks
 Washington, D.C. 20231

AMENDMENT

Dear Sir:

Pursuant to 37 CFR § 1.111 and in response to the Official Action mailed November 15, 2002, and having a shortened statutory period for response running to and including December 15, 2002, Applicant responds as follows:

In the Claims:

Please amend Claim 15 to read as follows:

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15. A hybrid electric vehicle (HEV) comprising:

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 an internal combustion engine;
 an electric traction motor;
 a storage battery for furnishing power to the traction motor;
 an engine temperature sensor;
 a battery state of charge indicator;